(b) whether these festivals are being organised on the same pattern as were organised previously in U.K., U.S.A. and France and whether any new features have been introduced therein;

(c) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) how the participants for these Festivals are selected?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) USSR & Sweden. It will be an exposition of India's Cultural heritage and Contemporary Development depicted through its performing arts, folk and classical, exhibitions, seminars, film festivals etc.

(b) and (c) Yes, Sir. In case of Festival of India in USSR, activities relating to Youth and Sports have also been added.

(d) The participants are selected by panels constituted by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations for the purpose and approved by the Standing Committee presided over by the Chairman of the ICCR.

Infant Mortality

1212. SHRI DEBA PRASAD RAY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what was the rate of infant mortality in India during 1986; and

(b) what is the State-wise break up thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) The latest estimates of Infant Mortality Rates as obtained from Sample Registration System of Registrar General, India relate to the year 1985 and are given in the enclosed statement.

Statement

Estimated Infant Mortality Rates 1985 (*Provisional*)

S.No.	State	Infant Mortality
1	Andhra Pradesh	83
2	Assam	111
3	Bihar	105
4	Gujarat	98
5	Haryana	85
6	Himachal Pradesh	84
7	Jammu & Kashmir	86
8	Karnataka	71
9	Kerala	32
10	Madhya Pradesh	122
11	Maharashtra	68
12	Orissa	130
13	Punjab	71
14	Rajasthan	108
15	Tamil Nadu	80
16	Uttar Pradesh	140
17	West Bengal	77
	INDIA	95

S.T.D. facilities in Madhya Pradesh

1213. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made for introducing of STD facilities between various district headquarters of Madhya Pradesh and the State Capital and also with Delhi; and

(b) the date by which work regarding provision of STD facilities for all the districts of Madhya Pradesh will be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) 18 District Headquarters in Madhya Pradesh are having STD faciltiy. Out of which 16 District Headquarters namely Bilaspur, Bhopal, Dhar, Dewas, Durg, Gwalior, Indore, Jabalpur, Khandwa, Mand saur, Rewa, Raipur, Sagar, Satna, Seoni and Ujjain have been provided STD to Bhopal and Delhi through TAX network while Sehore and Vidisha are connected to Bhopal on point to point STD.

(b) The remaining district headquarters of Madhya Pradesh are planned to be provided with this facility during the 7th Plan period.

Expansion and modernisation of Jabalpur Airport, Madhya Pradesh

1214. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to expand and modernise the airport at Jabalpur in Madhya Pradesh in near future;

(b) if so, what are the details of the proposal and whether work on it has started;

(c) whether Govt. are aware that there are no basic facilities at Jabalpur airport such as VIP waiting room, waiting hall for visitors and canteen etc.; and

(d) if so, what steps Govt. propose to take in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) The construction of Technical Block-cum-control tower and the passenger lounge is in progress. The construction of an approach road and replacement of Non-Directional Beacon are proposed to be taken up.

(c) The VIP waiting room, waiting hall and canteen are available at the airport.

(d) Does not arise.

Incentive paid to Air India general sales agent in U.K.

1215. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what was the productivity incentive paid over and above the usual commission to Air India's General Sales Agent in U.K. during 1984, 1985, 1986 and so far in 1987;

(b) whether an amount higher than the usual commission is being paid at present, if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) whether it is a fact that General Sales Agent in other countries are not being given such facilities as are given to the General Sales Agent in U.K.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) During the years 1984-85 and 1985-86 and productivity of the General Sales Agent in U.K. and the productivity linked incentives paid over and above the normal commission was as under:—

Year	Productivity (Rs. in lacs)	Productivity linked incentives (Rs. in lacs)
1984-85. . .	2175.11	217.51
1985-86. . .	1985.60	158.85

The G.S.A. agreement with the old G.S.A. was terminated with effect from 30th April, 1986.

The new G.S.A. was appointed on 1st November, 1986. The productivity and the productivity linked incentives in addition to the normal commission during the year 1986-87 (November, 1986 to March, 1987) is Rs. 1143.16 lacs and Rs. 45.73 lacs, respectively.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No G.S.A. in any country is deprived of the facilities necessary for market-